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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MEAT IMPORT

1. I TALKED WITH FACIO, WHO CALLED. FIRST, HE WANTED TO KNOW WHETHER WE WERE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE BICENTENNIAL PLANS COSTA RICA IS WORKING UP. I SAID WE WERE. I THEN SAID I TOLD PRESIDENT ODUBER, ON SUNDAY, THAT WE, FACIO AND I, SHOULD CONSULT ABOUT THE OASGA. HE AGREED, AND WE WILL, WHEN HE GETS BACK FROM KOREA.

2. FACIO SAID HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT MEAT. THE REASON THE PRESIDENT HAD NOT RAISED IT WITH ME WAS THAT THE PRESIDENT, AS OF SUNDAY, THOUGHT IT SETTLED. I TOLD HIM (A) THAT THE EXPERTS HERE THOUGHT THERE WOULD NOT BE SHORTFALLS, AND THE QUESTION WOULD THEREFORE BE ACADEMIC (HE SAID HIS EXPERTS THOUGHT MEXICO WOULD SHORTFALL); (B) THAT THERE MIGHT EVEN BE ENOUGH STRENGTH IN THE MARKET BY FALL TO IMPEL THE PRESIDENT TO LIFT IMPORT RESTRAINTS;
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AND (C) IN ALL EVENTS THAT WE WERE MAKING ONE MORE COLLEGE

TRY TO AVOID ANY REFERENCE TO THE REALLOCATION FORMULA IN
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